

Response Under 37 CFR 1.116

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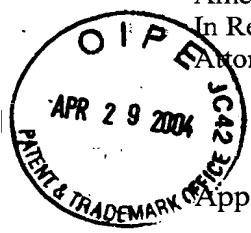
Examining Group 1700

Application No. 09/777,603

Amendment dated April 27, 2004

In Reply to Office Action dated February 27, 2004

Attorney Docket No. 3576-010027



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.	:	09/777,603			
Applicants	:	Robert G. ROODMAN et al.			
Filed	:	February 6, 2001			
Title	:	pH STABLE ACTIVATED CARBON			
Group Art Unit	:	1724	Confirmation No.	:	3170
Examiner	:	Ivars C. Cintins	Customer No.	:	28289

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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In response to the Final Office Action dated February 27, 2004, Applicants submit the accompanying amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

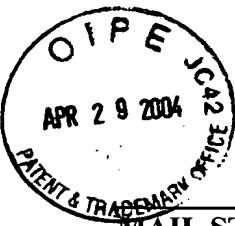
Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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Group Art Unit: 1724

Invention: "pH Stable Activated Carbon"

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- Small Entity Status is/has been asserted for this application under 37 CFR 1.27.
 A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27 is enclosed.
 No additional fee is required.
 The fee has been calculated as shown below:

No of Claims After <u>Amendment</u>	Highest No. Previously <u>Paid For</u>	Present Extra	Small Entity <u>Rate</u>	Non-Small Entity <u>Rate</u>	Charge
Total <u>18</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>0</u>	x \$ <u>9.00</u>	x \$ <u>18.00</u>	\$ <u>0.00</u>
Indep. <u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	x \$ <u>42.00</u>	x \$ <u>84.00</u>	\$ <u>0.00</u>
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim/s					
			+ \$ <u>140.00</u>	+ \$ <u>280.00</u>	\$ <u>0.00</u>
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE					
					\$ <u>0.00</u>

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 Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.
 Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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